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In re the application of
Burbank et al.

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Group Art Unit: 3736

For: **TISSUE ACQUISITION SYSTEM AND
METHOD OF USE**

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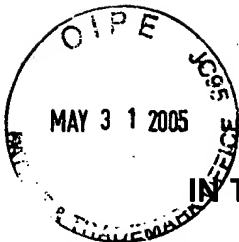
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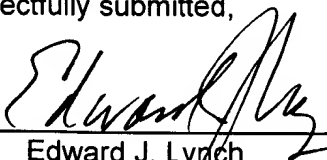
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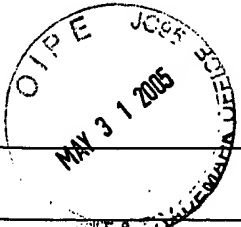
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